

# Monthly Report to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen

Reporting Period: September 1–30, 2025

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## **Incident Activity Summary**

During the month of September, Mason Fire Department responded to a total of 12 calls. These calls are broken down as follows:

#### Medical Calls: 8

Included cardiac/respiratory distress, chest pain, falls, overdose, and other medical emergencies.

#### Fire-Related Calls: 4

Included a vehicle/field fire, natural gas odor investigation, alarm activations, and a false alarm during system testing.

Al<mark>l incidents were managed in accordance with department protocols. No injuries to personnel were reported.</mark>

# Personnel Development & Training

- Members continue to work toward maintaining and advancing their certifications.
- Ongoing emphasis is placed on medical response readiness, fire suppression skills, and compliance with testing standards.
- Training sessions this month included scenario-based drills and equipment checks to ensure operational reliability.

## Recruitment & Community Engagement

The department remains in need of additional volunteers to strengthen our response capability.



- Recruitment efforts are ongoing, with outreach through community events and social media.
- We encourage city leadership to continue supporting these efforts by promoting volunteer opportunities within the community.

### **Halloween Safety Reminders**

# For Trick-or-Treaters & Families

- Yisibility is key: Use reflective tape, glow sticks, or flashlights so children are easily seen by drivers.
- Costume safety: Choose flame-resistant costumes and avoid masks that block vision.
- Stay together: Young children should always be accompanied by an adult; older kids should travel in groups.
- Check candy: Inspect all treats before eating and discard anything unwrapped or suspicious.
- Stick to sidewalks: Cross streets at corners and crosswalks, never between parked cars.

#### For Drivers

- Slow down: Expect heavy pedestrian traffic in neighborhoods.
- Stay alert: Watch for children darting into the street, especially in dark costumes.
- Avoid distractions: Phones down, eyes up especially between 5:30–9:30 p.m., peak trick-or-treat hours.

#### For Homeowners

- Light the way: Keep porches, steps, and walkways well-lit to prevent trips and falls.
- Clear hazards: Remove obstacles like hoses, decorations, or cords from paths.
- Pet safety: Keep pets indoors or secured they may be frightened by costumes and crowds.

#### Fire Safety

- Use battery-powered candles: Safer than open flames in pumpkins or decorations.
- Keep decorations away from heat sources: Paper, hay, and fabric can ignite quickly.
- Test smoke alarms: A quick check ensures your home is ready in case of emergency.



# **Mason Fire Department**

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